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Sir:

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<u>PATENTEE</u>	<u>PATENT NO.</u>	<u>ISSUE DATE</u>
Borland, et al.	5,912,163	June 15, 1999
Scharp, et al.	4,868,121	September 19, 1989
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Lacy, et al.	5,079,160	January 7, 1992

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Schneider, et al., *Multilayer capsules: a promising microencapsulation system for transplantation of pancreatic islets*, Biomaterials, Elsevier Science Publishers BV., Barking, GB, vol. 22, no. 14, 2001, pages 1961-1970, XP004245913

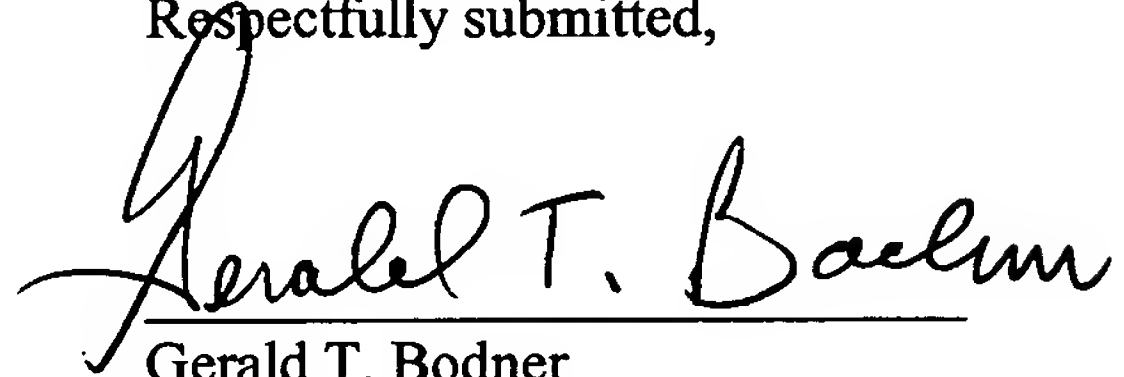
F. Lim, et al., *Microencapsulated Islets as Bioartificial Endocrine Pancreas*, Science Magazine, vol. 210, 1980, pages 908-910

The above-referenced documents are listed on PTO Form 1449. We have enclosed the cited documents to facilitate reference to them. In conformance with the waiver of the copy requirement in 37 C.F.R. §1.98 for cited U.S. patents issued on August 5, 2003, no copies of the foregoing U.S. patents are enclosed.

A copy of the English version of the International Search Report for the corresponding PCT application serial no. PCT/EP2005/001893 is also submitted herewith.

Applicant is not aware of any other references to be identified at this time. If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he or she is respectfully invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number set forth below. If any additional fees are due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 502335. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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